# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Steven Neville Chatfield
Docket No.: KCO1002US
Anticipated Classification of this
application:
Class _____ Subclass _____
Prior Application:
Examiner:
Group Art Unit:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request for the filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of a
☒ continuation, ☐ divisional, ☐ continuation-in-part of pending prior International
Application No. PCT/GB98/02852, filed September 21, 1998, entitled HEPATITIS B
VIRUS POLYPEPTIDES and naming as inventor Steven Neville Chatfield having an
address of Department of Infectious Diseases, Imperial College School of Medicine at the
Hammersmith Campus, Du Cane Road, London W12 0NN, United Kingdom.

1.  ☒  Enclosed are 18 pages of specification, 2 pages of claims, and
        5 pages of drawings.

2.  ☒  Enclosed is an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney
        (3 pages).

3.  ☒  Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior
        International Application No. PCT/GB98/02852, filed
        September 21, 1998, is considered to be part of the disclosure
        of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated
        by reference.

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4.  ☒  The filing fee is calculated below.

### CLAIMS FOR FEE CALCULATION

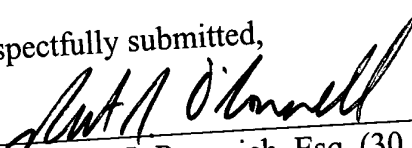| Number Filed | Number Extra | | Rate | Basic Fee $690.00 |
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| Total Claims  96-20 | 76 | X | $18.00 | $1368.00 |
| Independent Claims  1-3 | 0 | X | $78.00 | 0 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims  0 | | X | $260.00 | $260.00 |
| Total | | | | $2318.00 |

5.  ☐  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2312. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

6.  ☐  A check in the amount of _____ is enclosed to cover the required filing fees.

7.  ☐  Cancel in this application original claims ___ to ___ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

8.  ☒  Amend the specification by adding the following sentence before the first paragraph: --This is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/GB98/02852, filed September 21, 1998, the contents of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference.--

9.  ☐  ___ sheets of new formal drawings are enclosed.

10a.  ☒  Priority of application serial no. 9720033.1, filed on September 19, 1997, in the United Kingdom is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

10b.  ☐  The certified copy has been forwarded to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by the International Bureau.

11.  ☐  The Assignment records in the Patent and Trademark Office indicate that the prior application is assigned to:

12.  ☒  A Statement Regarding Submission of Sequence Listing (1 page) and a disk containing the sequence listing are enclosed.

13.  ☒  The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:
_____.

    a.  ☐  The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

    b.  ☐  A copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

    c.  ☒  Address all future communications to:
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14.  ☒  A Preliminary Amendment (7 pages) is enclosed; also enclosed is one page of abstract and four pages of sequence listing that are mentioned in the Preliminary Amendment. Please make the amendments to the claims described in the Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee.

15.  ☒  An Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages), two copies of Form PTO-1449 (2 pages), and copies of the documents listed on the Form 1449 are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 17, 2000

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